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In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Shinichi HORITA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 6688  
Application No.: 10/716,496 : Group Art Unit: 2628  
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Examiner: Kimbinh T. Nguyen  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MERGING MESHES, AND COMPUTER READABLE  
MEDIUM

**REQUEST FOR COMPLETE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART**

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Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated May 25, 2006.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received a complete acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed November 20, 2003. Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and stamped return postcard acknowledgement. For the Examiner's convenience, we have highlighted the prior art on Form PTO-1449 which has not been acknowledged.

It is respectfully requested that all of the cited prior art submitted with the November 20, 2003, Information Disclosure Statement now be acknowledged and considered.

Respectfully submitted,  
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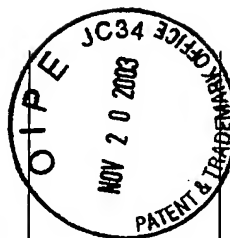
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

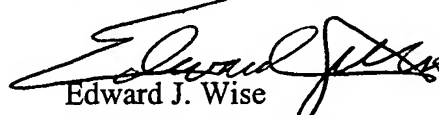
This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the U.S. filing date OR before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required.

The relevance of each of the references listed on the attached Form 1449, are discussed in the present specification.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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